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For: ELECTRONIC SOURCING SYSTEM

AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 25, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

A letter to the Official Draftsperson with proposed changes to FIG. 1A indicated in red, is submitted herewith.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, the paragraph inserted before the first line as a result of Section 8, entitled "Relate Back", of the new application transmittal that was filed on January 20, 1999, please replace with the following:

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This application claims the benefit of U.S. Application No. 09/234,366 filed on January 20,

1999, and which is now U.S. Patent No. 6,055,516 which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/288,577 filed on August 10, 1994, and which is now U.S. Patent No. 6,023,683.

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